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85 Cents for 100 lbs. early rose and flower
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ecuted. del4

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with cheap work Pioneer dyeing and
cleaning works, 76 Douglas street, Brunswick
Block. Cast off clothing bought and sold.

DOLLS—The ladies of St. Saviour's Guild,
Victoria West, will hold a sale of their hand-
somer dressed dolls, Christmas tree for the
children, also plain and fancy work, on Tuesday
December 14th, from 3 to 6. At 6 o'clock tea. del2

JUST received a large assortment of the latest
publications in works of art. Call and in-
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NOTICE. ASSESSMENT ACT.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Re-
vision and Appeal will sit as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria City:—
At 51 Langley street, in the City of Victoria, on
Monday the 10th and Tuesday the 11th days of Janu-
ary, 1898, at 10 o'clock a.m.

For the Electoral District of South Victoria:—
At the Royal Oak, on Friday the 17th day of Janu-
ary, 1898, at 11:30 o'clock a.m., and at John
Camp's, south Saanich, on Wednesday, the 12th
day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon.

For that portion of North Victoria Electoral
District known as North Saanich:—On Saturday
the 5th day of January, 1898, at the Sidney Hotel,
Sidney, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt:—On
Friday, the 31st day of December, 1897, at Henry
Fries's, Parson's Bridge, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Electoral Districts of
Comox and Cassiar, known as the Coast, Rupert,
Seymour and Quinsigamish Land Districts:—At 51
Langley street, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 25th
day of December, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For that portion of the Cowichan-Alberni
Electoral District known as Barclay and Clayo-
quot Land Districts:—At 51 Langley street, Vic-
toria, on Wednesday, the 29th day of December,
1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

Dated at Victoria, this 6th day of Dec. 1897.
S. PERRY MILLS
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.



NOTICE.

Owners of Placer claims are invited to send a
few ounces of the black or grey sand obtained in
washing the gravel for gold to "The Provincial
Mineralogist, Bureau of Mines, Victoria," stat-
ing the name of the creek from which the sand is
taken, and its locality.

It is believed that PLATINUM and perhaps
IRIDIUM are frequently passed over and lost by
the prospector, as they have much the ap-
pearance of iron in the sand. These minerals
are as valuable as gold, the latter more so, and
if the placer claim owners will send the black or
grey sand as aforesaid it will be assayed and
the results given to the owner.

JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.
del4



RESERVE-CASSIAR DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the under-men-
tioned tracts of land are reserved for govern-
ment purposes until further notice, viz:—

1. A belt of land, five miles in width, extend-
ing back from the shore line of the whole of
that portion of Bennett Lake, which lies within
the Province.

2. A belt of land, five miles in width, extend-
ing back from the shore line of the whole of that
portion of Teslin Lake which lies within the
Province.

3. A belt of land commencing at a point five
miles below Glenora, on the Stikine river;
thence up the said river to a point five miles
above Telegraph Creek, and having a width of
five miles on each side of the said river.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works,
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 11th December, 1897. del3

Victoria Novelty Works, Model Making
and General Repairing.....

150 Gov. St., Victoria **HYLAN & HAFER,**
New Advertisements continued on page Seven.

FOOD BY FLEET DEER.

Proposal of the United States Gov-
ernment to Relieve American
Citizens at Dawson.

Laplanders Will Provide the Hardy
Animals and Drive the
Novel Train.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—In answer to a
senate resolution calling for such infor-
mation as the war department possesses
relative to the lack of food supplies on
the Yukon river, Secretary Alger to-day
submitted a letter reciting his action in
sending Captain Ray to that country to
investigate, and enclosing copies of that
officer's reports, the features of which
have already been published.

Secretary Alger says: "It is ascer-
tained that since the 15th of August but
165 tons of provisions have reached Daw-
son City by river, and that the boats of
the two transportation companies with
2,000 tons of supplies for that place were
obliged to discharge freight at Fort Yu-
kon, 400 miles north of Dawson City,
owing to the lowness of the river between
these two points.

The population of Dawson and vicinity
in October of this year is estimated to
be not less than 5,000, and a large
number of American citizens are reported
to have insufficient food to last them
through the winter, many being abso-
lutely destitute. The latest information
from the mining district bears date of
October 17, when it is reported that there
was not on sale in the stores of Dawson,
or those accessible to the mining region,
a single pound of bacon, beans or flour,
and that those miners who had been in
the territory contiguous to Dawson, de-
pendent on the stores there for their
usual winter's supplies, found it impos-
sible to purchase any supplies whatever.

It is therefore recommended that
reindeer be purchased in Lapland to the
number of five hundred and permission
granted to bring reindeer drivers from
that country, as the information re-
ceived is that it requires much skill to
manage these animals. It is believed
that supplies taken into that country
need not to any great extent be furnished
as a gratuity, but that many of the
miners will be able to pay the cost of
such supplies.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Eighteen Million Bushels of Wheat—New
Principal for Columbia College
—Sudden Deaths.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 13.—(Special)—The
final crop bulletin for the Manitoba de-
partment of agriculture for this year was
issued to-day. It contains a review of
the prevailing conditions of the agricul-
tural industry of Manitoba and interest-
ing statistics concerning grain, butter
and cheese production and live stock
trade during the year. The tenor of the
information given is of a highly gratifying
character, showing that the province
is making rapid strides in the onward
march of progress, and that the tillers of
the soil have enjoyed a most prosperous
season. The estimated yield of grain of
all kinds, as given in the August bul-
letin, has not been realized. Crops are
lighter, there is less straw and the heads
are not so well filled as was expected in
August. The actual yields for the year
are now given and place the total for
wheat at 18,261,950 bushels, and average
of 14.14 bushels per acre. The quality
was nearly all No. 1 hard. There have
been 1,370,685 acres prepared for the
crop of 1898, an increase of more than
40,000 acres over that ready a year ago
for the 1897 crop.

Mrs. McLean, widow of Bishop Mc-
Lean of Saskatchewan, died at the resi-
dence of her son-in-law at Prince Albert to-
day.

J. H. Riddell, professor of classics in
Westley college here, has been asked to
accept the position of principal of the
Columbian college of New Westminster.
A large water tank in the C.P.R. yards
here, burst last night and flooded the
shops for a time.

Edward Lloyd, an old resident of St.
Boniface, dropped dead on Saturday
night. The deceased was father of E. E.
Lloyd, of the Henley crew, who was
about to depart for Vancouver yesterday
to take a position in the C.P.R. stores
department there. His departure will
be delayed some days.

Barry Mitchell, of Hamilton, who
came here with the Josie Mills company,
with which he played under the stage
name of Barry Harvey, dropped dead at
the Cosmopolitan hotel on Saturday.

Boys' Mackintoshes \$3.75, Boys'
Rubber Coats \$2.00. B. Williams &
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To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.
All druggists refund the money if it fails
to cure. 25 cents. x

Nowhere but at the Poodle Dog can
you get grilled steaks. x

Xmas goods at Weiler Bros.; can you
possibly buy at a better place? x

THE YUKONER'S WHISKEY.

Premier Haultain Disputes the Right of
Commissioner Walsh to Tax It.

REGINA, Dec. 15.—(Special)—Dr. Brett,
leader of the opposition in the legisla-
ture, enquired of the Premier regarding
the report that Major Walsh was im-
posing a fee of \$2 per gallon on liquor
brought into the Yukon. He certainly,
said Dr. Brett, had no right to do any-
thing of the sort.

In reply, Mr. Haultain said that where-
ever territorial ordinances applied they
were being enforced in the Yukon. He
could hardly believe that Major Walsh
had imposed a tax on liquor. It certainly
was not within his right. The only
power in this respect was under the old
ordinance of issuing permits.

When the house rose it was the inten-
tion of the government to put through
an order-in-council providing for per-
mits in that district, and the amount
accruing would go to the general revenue
of the Territories. It was the policy of
the government to assert all its rights
with regard to the Yukon, and the gov-
ernment will resist all attempts to dis-
integrate the Territories.

VLADIVOSTOK'S PURPOSE.

The Russians Court Commerce Less Than
the Creation of a National
Stronghold.

TACOMA, Dec. 13.—Capt. McGregor of
the steamship Glenloch, just arrived
here, says that Russia is making gigan-
tic improvements at Vladivostok pre-
paratory to its opening next year. He
says the Russians now regard it only as
a fortress, not counting commerce. He
could not obtain a bill of health for his
steamer until the Russian admiral com-
manded his physician to give him one.

Seven years have been taken up in
construction of one of the world's greatest
drydocks at Vladivostok. It is 550 feet
long, 90 wide, 30 deep, and cut out of a
solid rock bluff. Magnificent stone
terminal docks are building for the
Trans-Siberian railway. Military camps
occupy the surrounding heights and
8,000 soldiers are stationed at and near
the city.

JAPAN'S SHORTAGE OF COAL.

Prices Rapidly Advancing and Restrictions
Upon Sales to Foreign Steamers.

TACOMA, Dec. 13.—Captain McGregor,
of the British steamer Glenloch, which
has just arrived from Japan, reports that
coal experts who have been making in-
vestigations as to Japan's coal supply
declare that it cannot last fifty years
longer. This is causing much un-
easiness and has resulted in in-
creased importations from Australia.
Captain McGregor reports that coal
prices in Japanese ports have advanced
40 per cent. in eight months, and that
restrictions have been placed on its sale
to foreign steamers. He wanted to load
1200 tons to last him to Europe, but ob-
tained only enough for the voyage to
Tacoma.

China has coal mines, but the officials
will not yet permit their development.

MASSACHUSETTS OPERATIVES.

Their Wages Now Cut to the Lowest Point
They Possibly Can Bear.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 13.—It was
learned to-day that the manufacturers' re-
solutions, which is in charge of de-
tails of the pending reduction of the
wages of mill operatives, will recom-
mend that the salaries of the treasurers
be reduced in the same proportion as
the wages of employees, and each mem-
ber of the committee has agreed to bring
about this reduction in the administra-
tive cost in his own mill. The commit-
tee also decided that all overseers and
others not usually included in cut downs
should come under the order. The price
for weaving a cut of print cloth will be
reduced from 18 to 16 cents, and in de-
partments where the least pay is re-
ceived the full cut of 11 per cent. will
not be made. The committee also de-
cided that a cut of 10 per cent. was as
much as the operatives could bear.

DENIES EVERYTHING.

Governor Patterson Rejects All Solutions of
the Latest Political Conundrum.

WINDSOR, Dec. 13.—(Special)—Mr.
Patterson, Lieutenant-Governor of Mani-
toba, is here. He denies the rumor that
he is going to British Columbia, or that
he has affiliated with the Reform party;
also the report that he is to be trans-
ferred from Manitoba to become Lieut-
enant-Governor of the Northwest.

Klondyke Outfits, Best Value
for Money at W. & J. Wilson's.

Gold pans at Cheapside. x

NEWS OF THE CAPITAL.

Important Concessions to Yukon
Miners Affecting Royalty and
Reservation.

Bonding Privileges Asked for Goods
Bound for Alaska—Governor
Chapleau's Prospects.

Request for a Papal Nuncio Made
Through Liberal Meeting
Held in Secret.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—Mr. Sifton's Yukon
mining regulations are being revised by
a sub-committee of the council, com-
posed of the ministers of the interior,
marine, and justice. They have decided
to amend the royalty regulations by ex-
empting the sum necessary for develop-
ing a claim for a year. They also will
probably abandon the alternate claim
reservation scheme, and instead make
the government reserve in blocks of ten
claims.

Many applications are being received
at the customs department from the
United States for permission to take
goods into Alaska via Canadian territory
in bond. The matter doubtless will be
arranged mutually between the two gov-
ernments.

The story is in circulation that when
the present session of the Quebec legis-
lature is concluded, Sir Adolphe Chap-
leau may be sent to France to represent
Canada at the world's fair of 1900.

The ministers still decline to say any-
thing in reference to the alleged request
to the vatican that a papal nuncio be
sent here. It is learned, however, that
the overtures were actually made by
Quebec Liberals at a private meeting
some months ago. It was decided to re-
quest that such an official be sent out
in order that he might prevent any inter-
ference by the bishops in elections.

The customs department was notified
to-day of the seizure by Captain Knowl-
ton, of the government cruiser Osprey,
of an American fishing schooner which
has been on the black list for some
months. The vessel visited Lockport
some time ago, effected repairs and
silently departed without communi-
cating with the customs. She is liable
to a fine of \$800 if the full penalty is
imposed.

HUDSON STRAITS.

Modern Vessels of Iron Could Not Have
Survived the Wooden Survey Ship's
Experiences.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Dec. 13.—Winnipeg papers
contend that the Hudson Bay expeditions
this year are valueless, as an iron vessel
was not sent out. Commander Wake-
ham says that if the vessel which Mr.
Sutherland suggested had been taken,
she would have gone to the bottom in an
ice nip which caught the Diana early in
July. He believes that the period of
navigation in the straits for iron vessels
is very limited.

The marine department issued a notice
to-day that the new light at the end of
Kaslo spit on Kootenay lake, will be in
operation on the first instant.

"NO IRISH NEED APPLY."

French Liberals Seek Further to Limit the
Gathering Round the Soup
Pots.

MONTREAL, Dec. 13.—(Special)—The
latest political story is that there is
trouble in the Montreal Liberal club. It
seems that a large number of members
are dissatisfied with in which the club
is conducted, and they threaten to smash
it and form a new organization. One of
the principal grievances of the dissatis-
fied members is the ascendancy of the
Irish element in the club. It is claimed
that the Irish members monopolize the
time of the meetings and that their pro-
ceedings are sometimes disgraceful. The
dissatisfied members accordingly pro-
pose to establish a more exclusive club,
the motto of which will be "No Irish
need apply." This attack on the Irish
members has aroused a great deal of in-
dignation and lively warfare is being
carried on between the two factions.

Will be found an excellent remedy for
sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills.
Thousands of letters from people who have
used them prove this fact. Try them.

Overcoats \$5, \$6, \$8, \$10. Mack-
intoshes \$4.90, \$5.75, \$8, \$10. B.
Williams & Co. x

Carving sets from \$2.25 up, at Fox's. x

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1-4 LB. TINS 30 CENTS.
2 OZ. TINS 15 CENTS.

NAVY CUT,

TRAVELLER, 1-4 LB. TINS 30 CENTS.
2 OZ. TINS 15 CENTS.

Harry Salmon's,

Cor. Yates and Government Sts.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

President Gompers Reports a Great Increase in the Organization Over Which He Presides.

Higher Dues in Local Unions Recommended as Leading to Greater Usefulness.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 13.—President Gompers in his report to the seventeenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, to-day repeated and emphasized the statement he made in his call for the convention, that it had to deal with questions momentous for labor. He asked the delegates to give the best thought and action of which they were capable to the responsible task involved by their participation in the convention. A number of local trades unions and federated labor unions had, he said, been organized and chartered during the year. New central bodies were organized and old ones, which had become defunct, revived. Charters to 18 central bodies, 189 local unions and 8 national unions were issued.

With but two exceptions the affiliated national unions report a large increase in local unions and in membership. There is an increase of about 34,000 members in the organizations affiliated, and for whom the per capita tax is paid, over the number at the end of the last fiscal year. There can be no doubt that the gains are due to several causes, among which may be mentioned that our organizations maintained their existence during the industrial stagnation of past years; the recognition that there is only one means by which they can defend, protect or advance their interests, that is by organization, the increasing activity, devotion and indefatigable work of our organizers, both local and general; the energy and ability of the officers of our national and international organizations, and the constant urging and directions from the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor.

Attention is called to the necessity of impressing upon the minds of fellow unionists the establishment of the principle of higher dues in their unions, as those organizations which have established high dues have experienced the greatest success, and maintained or improved wages, decreased hours and obtained other concessions in the interest of their members.

The question of a defence fund in the A.F.L. should receive careful attention. The efforts to divide the labor of the country on geographical lines is referred to as suicidal, and Mr. Gompers says it is gratifying to be enabled to state that at least for the time being the evil sought to be accomplished has been laid at rest.

There have been quite a number of strikes within the past year, but the change in the causes which have produced them are worthy of note; that is, the strikes of this year, with few exceptions, have been for higher wages, shorter hours, and the extension and recognition of union principles. Our organizations report with gratifying unanimity the very large number of successes achieved, advantages gained, and the growth and extension of the power of organization enjoyed.

Referring to the firing upon striking miners at Latimer, Pa., by a sheriff's posse, Mr. Gompers says: "An incident connected with the miners' strike requires special mention here. While a body of unarmed and defenceless miners were marching upon the public highways of Hazleton to Latimer, Pa., they were met by the sheriff of the county with a posse of armed mercenaries, who without cause or provocation and in violation of the constitutional and natural rights of men, turned upon them and in cold blood murdered 22, and maimed and crippled as many more of them. All reports agree that the men attacked were violating no law, guilty of no wrong, many of them shot to death while fleeing from their malignant pursuers. This crime against our laws, this brutality against inoffensive men, the wail of widows and orphans, the wounded pride of citizens, and common humanity, cry out not only that justice shall be meted out to these modern hyenas, that never again shall so great a wrong be inflicted upon any people under the cry that the men killed and wounded are 'foreigners'; but even though this be true, these foreigners were lured here by the cupidity of the mercenary corporations. It is submitted, though a man be a foreigner, there are some rights, some protection, to which he is entitled, which even corporations and their hirelings are bound to respect."

Referring to the British engineers' strike, he says the executive committee deemed it unwise to issue an appeal to organized labor for aid, owing to the long era of depression from which the workmen of America suffered. However, as editor of the American Federation, he published the appeal of British fellow-unionists, and he urged that under the circumstances very fair contributions were made.

A cordial and hearty welcome was given Messrs. Wilson and Harford, fraternal delegates from Great Britain.

A mirror could not lie if it wanted to. The glass has nothing to gain by flattery. If the roses of health and plumpness of beauty are leaving your face, your mirror will tell you so. Health is the greatest beauty in the world. When a woman sees the indications of ill-health in the face, she may with almost absolute certainty look for the cause in one or both of two conditions—constipation, and derangement of the organs distinctly feminine. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will cure permanently and positively any so-called "female complaint." Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets will cure constipation. There is no reason in the world why a woman should not be perfectly healthy. She will gain in health, strength and flesh. Her blood will give place to fullness and grace. She will be that noblest and most beautiful of all creation—a perfect woman.

Send 31 cents in one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1008 page "Common Sense Medical Adviser," profusely illustrated.

If you once try Carter's Little Liver Pills for sick headache, biliousness or constipation you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable, small and easy to take. Don't forget this.

Official Mining Maps at THE COLONIST

REAR GUARD CUT OFF.

Tribesmen Further Harass the British Forces and Many Casualties Result.

SIMLA, Dec. 13.—General Kempster's rear guard, according to official despatches from the front, while transporting a number of wounded, was cut off by the tribesmen on Saturday near Sher Khel, and was obliged to entrench for the night. By morning there was severe fighting, and the British finally rushed the village and dislodged the enemy.

The Highlanders lost four killed and fourteen wounded, and there were several casualties among the Sepoys before the rear guard was relieved.

THE CITY

THE 100th appropriation of the Vancouver Island Building Society is to be drawn for on the evening of the 20th instant.

LIONEL DICKENSON was in the police court yesterday, charged with having neglected to connect his premises on Douglas street with the sewerage system. He will do so at once.

LIEUT.-GOVERNOR McINNES has made arrangements to be in his office at the new parliament buildings hereafter on Tuesday and Friday afternoons, from 2 o'clock until five.

THE death occurred on Sunday last, at the family residence on Blanchard street, of Mrs. Mahala Kennel, wife of Godfrey Kennel. The deceased lady was a native of North Carolina, aged 64 years.

EXAMINATIONS are going full swing in the courthouse just now, there being five candidates writing for permission to study law, one for the intermediate law examination, and twelve for the finals.

"ECHOES of the convention" was the heading under which Mrs. Gordon Grant, reviewed the proceedings of the recent world's convention of women workers held in Toronto, at Calvary Baptist church on Sunday evening last. A large number of temperance workers were present.

THE unlucky Chinaman found naked, unconscious and alone in a gutter on Figard street last Saturday night, is as yet unable to give the clue to the mystery of which he is the visible evidence. He was removed to the hospital almost as soon as found by Constable Carson, and there he remains, still in a comatose condition.

HON. COLONEL BAKER, provincial minister of education, with Rev. Bishop Perrin and Mr. John W. Laing, M.A., are conducting the examination preliminary to entrance to Cambridge University, which commenced yesterday at the Collegiate school, and at which the following are writing: Messrs. G. S. Brown, A. C. Fletcher and A. C. Roberts, and Misses H. Heaney, A. M. Redfern, E. H. Bryce, L. Nute, C. Black, J. C. Brown, E. E. Devlin, E. A. Jenkins, E. Bayley, G. H. Heal, M. L. Field, L. J. Carter and M. H. Lovell.

THE members of the Natural History Society last night met for the first time in the new reading room of the library of the legislative assembly, and henceforward will make these quarters their home for meeting purposes. A paper by Rev. Mr. Keene, of Massett, on the monuments of Queen Charlotte Islands was read, and proved a most interesting natural history contribution, for which the writer was duly and heartily thanked. Capt. Walbran, who was announced for a paper, was unable to be present. Dr. W. H. Dall, of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C., was elected an honorary member.

THE A.O.U.W. hall was crowded last evening when the Lindley company concluded their season's stay in this city by presenting Dr. Ennery's drama, "The Celebrated Case." The plot was laid in France before the time of Fontenau, and from the time the curtain rose kept the audience wondering what was going to happen next. Mr. Chapman and Miss Mathes called forth rounds of applause by their clever acting. Mr. Chapman especially in the last act. Mr. E. P. Lewis as Count de Morny, the villain, was also very good. The company leave on the morning train for Nanaimo and Wellington, where it is hoped they will receive the patronage they richly deserve. A return to Victoria is contemplated in a month or six weeks' time.

The Engineers' Trouble.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The ballot taken by the unions of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers is almost unanimous against accepting the proposal of the employers. The senior professors at Oxford University have signed a protest against the attitude of the employers.

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Professor Jordan Styles This Solution of the Sealing Problem Simply Abominable.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Prof. David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford University, who was the leading expert for the United States government in the seal negotiations here last autumn, has given a verdict strongly against any such proposition as that presented by the bill to be introduced by representative Johnson of North Dakota, looking to the killing of all the seals on the seal islands as the readiest means by which to prevent further friction between the United States and Canada.

Mr. Jordan says: "Within the past two years it has several times been proposed that we should settle the fur seal question once for all by the slaughter of the entire herd on its breeding grounds. It is scarcely necessary to point out that this course of action would not accomplish the desired end. As the animals are never all present at one time on the islands, a remnant would be left which in time would revive the herd, and with it the whole question."

"In the meantime every objection which has been urged against pelagic hunting would be charged against such a slaughter. It would be necessary to lie in wait for gravid females and kill them as they came ashore to give birth to their young or to provide them with nourishment. The young must be slaughtered wantonly or else left to starve. The proposition is abominable, without a single redeeming feature."

"Though sadly reduced in number, a nucleus of the fur seal herd is still left. Under favorable conditions it can be restored. The Prybyloff herd once yielded 100,000 skins annually, worth \$2,000,000 or more, and without injury to itself would represent a cash value of \$25,000,000. If properly protected it will again reach this value."

OPERATIONS ON 'CHANGE.

Grand Trunk and Union Pacific Strong in London—Slump in December Wheat.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The day's market for securities offered every appearance of breadth and strength, the buying being vigorous and aggressive, and well distributed. The jump in Sugar to 14 1/2¢ on report of a pending extra dividend, stimulated the whole market.

The Evening Post's financial cable from London says: "The tone of the markets here was good to-day. Money was dearer, the rate being four per cent. Contangoes on Americans averaged five per cent. Prices closed at the best, the feature being a sharp jump in Union Pacific on rumors that the Kansas Pacific matters had been settled. Grand Trunk is still booming. The new Union Pacific preference shares were largely dealt in to-day, for a special settlement."

Closing bids: Am. Cotton Oil, 23 1/2; Am. Tobacco, 88 1/2; Am. Sugar, 14 1/4; Am. Spirits, 5 1/2; A. T. & S. F. pd., 30 1/4; Canada Sou., 65 1/4; C. & O., 22 1/4; B. & Q., 99 1/4; Chicago Gas, 97; C. & N. W., 121; C. R. I. & P., 91 1/2; C. M. & St. P., 26; Cons. Gas N. Y., 17 1/4; C. C. & St. L., 30; D. & H., 108 1/2; Gen. Elec., 83 1/2; J. C. & H., 108 1/2; Lac. Gas, 45; Man., 107 1/4; Mo. Pac., 55 1/2; Nat. Lead, 35 1/4; do. pd., 105 1/4; Nor. Pac., 26; do. pd., 57 1/4; N. Y. C. & H., 108 1/4; N. Y. L. E. & W., 105; P. M., 30 1/4; P. & R., all paid, 21 1/4; S. O. Ry., 94 1/2; do. pd., 33 1/4; Tex. Pac., 11 1/2; U. S. Leather, 64; U. S. Rubber, 17 1/4; do. pd., 68 1/4; U. P. receipts, 23 1/4; Washab., pd., 1 1/4; W. V. Ry., 96 1/4.

C. P. R., in London, 82 1/4; Commercial Cable, in Montreal, 18 1/4; Bar silver, 58 1/4; Mexican dollars, 46 1/4.

Copper steady; lake brokers, \$10.87 1/2; exchange, \$10.87 1/2 to \$11. Lead dull; domestic brokers, \$3.00; exchange, \$3.05 to \$3.72 1/2.

Spot wheat easy. No. 2 red, 98c. f. o. b. afloat. No. 1 Manitoba, \$1.03 1/4. Options opened firm on better cables, broke badly under a bear raid, helped by weak late foreign news and light export enquiry, but rallied finally on covering and closed unsettled at 1/2c. net decline.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—This afternoon there was a sudden break of 7 1/2 cents a bushel in December wheat, the option that is supposed to be the correct one. The price fell 2 1/2 cents under the dollar mark. Last week December options sold as high as \$1.09, to-day they opened at \$1.05 against \$1.04 1/2, the close on Saturday. The decline continued until the price reached 97 1/2c, and then there was a rise to \$1.01 1/2.

THE trial of the Chinaman Jung Hook, for stabbing the Japanese Oosaka, opened yesterday in the speedy trials court, Mr. G. H. Barnard appearing for the prosecution, and Mr. H. D. Helmeke with Mr. Thornton Fell, for the defence. The taking of evidence will be in progress for several days, according to present expectations. His Honor Judge Harrison is hearing the case.

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VERY EVENLY MATCHED

How Victoria and Vancouver Hockey Teams Played Again to an Indefinite Conclusion.

Basket Ball in the Fort Street Hall Moth and de Malchin Will Come Together.

It still remains undecided who has the better hockey team—Victoria or Vancouver, the result of Saturday's match at the Terminal City being a second "draw," with the score three all. Those who witnessed the match, and the spectators were numerous, are unanimously agreed that it was as pretty and as even a contest as one could wish to see. The weather was undeniably wet at the commencement, and a melancholy drizzle continued throughout the struggle.

A 3 o'clock sharp the rival teams lined up, and from the bully-off the play kept even, the ball going backward and forward from Victoria's to Vancouver's 25 in a series of rushes, with several shots put in by each team. After twenty minutes' steady play, Vancouver succeeded in working the ball into their opponents' circle, and from a scrimmage Vancouver shot a goal. Victoria claimed "off side," but the umpire did not give it, the point being very doubtful and as such to be decided in favor of the side appealed against. The loss seemed, however, to suddenly awaken the visitors, especially K. Schofield, who getting control of the ball at the bully-off, kept it and made a run straight down the field without check, shooting a very sharp goal for Victoria. Naturally the spectators cheered him lustily for his brilliant run, the result of which was an even score.

But this was not all. Two minutes from the time Schofield shot his goal, Chaldecott—Vancouver's extra forward—shot a good goal for his team, making the score: Vancouver, 2; Victoria, 1.

Play now divided evenly for ten minutes, when half time was called. A rest of five minutes, the full allowance, was taken, and the work recommenced. The game had only been in progress a few moments when F. A. Fletcher—Victoria's centre—shot a goal to bring the score to 2 all. Of course excitement now ran high, the play being so even, and applause was frequent for the good play of both sides. Soon after the score changed to: Victoria 3, Vancouver 2, K. Schofield again being responsible for Victoria's additional goal.

Both sides now put in some grand play, Victoria determined to keep the lead, and Vancouver not to be beaten. But as luck would have it, Vancouver scored within ten minutes of time, making 3 goals all. From then until the end of the game the greatest excitement prevailed and some grand play was put up on both sides.

When the Victoria team left here they expected to be beaten easily, and so did their supporters who did not go. But from the very start Vancouver saw that they had no easy thing before them to prevent Victoria from beating them, the combination of the Victoria forwards being splendid, and more especially K. Schofield and B. Pender, Victoria's left wing. Vancouver showed how they feared that wing by putting an extra man to mark it.

Victoria's players are much faster than Vancouver's, and when once they start a rush their opponents find it pretty hard to stop them. On the whole Victoria put up the better game, especially in their combination; which was far ahead of their play against Vancouver on the Oak Bay grounds. One thing especially noticeable, and remarked on by several spectators, was their quickness in getting on to the ball; this is a very strong point, and it is safe to say that if the Victorians continue putting up such a strong game as they did on Saturday last they will be hard to beat, if at all.

The Vancouver team, as well as Victoria, had some absentees, they being without the services of Boyd, in goal, and having some difficulty in getting a man to take his place. The result for the two matches against Vancouver now stands: First match—Vancouver, 1; Victoria, 1. Second match—Victoria, 3; Vancouver, 3. It is the present intention of the club to play two more matches, in February and March, and probably four.

On Saturday evening the Vancouvers gave a very enjoyable smoking concert to the Victoria team in St. George's Society hall, and the team came home to Victoria on the Sunday's Charmer, one and all pleased with their visit to the Mainland.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

The Junior Association Football League met last night, Miss Cameron in the chair. The constitution was adopted, and it was decided to divide the surplus from last year amongst those who entered in last season's league. The annual fee was fixed at \$2, and the entries received are: "South Park," "North Ward," "Boys Brigade, No. 2 Co.," "Central," Victoria West, and "Columbias." The drawing of a schedule was left to the secretary, who is to report to the executive.

SWORDSMANSHIP.

ANDERSON'S HAND DISABLED.

Professor W. S. Anderson, who after being defeated by Baron Ivan de Malchin in the mounted broadsword contest at the market hall last Friday, challenged the victor to a return contest—the challenge being promptly accepted—now finds that one of the bones in his wrist is broken and he will be unable to attempt another engagement. Charles Moth, who came down from Nanaimo yesterday, will, however, engage Baron de Malchin on foot, in a contest of 21 attacks, the same evening this week on which he meets Instructor St. Clair with the foils.

BASKET BALL.

WASPS VS. SWIFTS.

The exhibition match played last evening between the above teams in the new Y.M.C.A. basket ball hall, 90 Fort street, resulted in favor of the Wasps by a score of five goals to nil. The play throughout was very swift. The Wasps played a much nater game than their

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opponents, the result of hard practice. The attendance was poor owing no doubt to the wet weather.

SUMMARY.

1st goal F. Humber
2nd J. Noot
3rd J. Noot
4th F. Humber
5th J. Noot

BASKET BALL LEAGUE.

The meeting of the basket ball league to-night is to be held in the J. B. A. rooms at 7:30 instead of 8 o'clock, as formerly announced. All delegates are requested to be sharp on time.

GOVERNMENT PARTY RETURNS.

Surveyors Unable to Reach the Naas From Alice Arm Arrive Last Evening.

Arriving from Vancouver on the R. M. S. Aorangi yesterday evening were E. S. Wilkinson, civil engineer; C. Little and C. Jones, surveyors, a trio sent North by the government on the 15th of last month to inquire into the possibilities of a railroad route from Alice arm, at the head of Observatory inlet, to the Naas river. The party went north to Port Essington on the steamer Barbara Boscowitz, and from there took the steamer Chieftain to Alice Sound. The tramp overland was immediately commenced, five Indian packers being taken along, and the Chieftain was left awaiting until the party's return. For twenty miles or more the party traversed inland, following as closely as possible the detour of a river, which bears no name, but which they christen for convenience Wilkinson's river. This part of the road, in the words of Mr. Little, is fair, but it gets very rough towards the mountains, and as a result the last day's travel only amounted to one mile. Here was encountered the canyon of the river, and it was with the greatest difficulty that any kind of progress could be made.

"It seemed," said Mr. Little, "that we had to make a footing for every step forward we made, so precipitous and icy were the hills. When the party decided to turn about for the Coast it had reached an elevation of 1,200 feet and the divide appeared about six miles beyond, over a terribly rough country. A lake could be seen about half a day's journey to the right of where we were, and this, according to the Indian packers accompanying the party, had an outlet in the Naas river."

Numerous photographs of the country were secured and will serve as an important part in the report of the surveyors to the government. It was impossible for the party to proceed further owing to the wild nature of the country and to the difficulty that would have been experienced in taking along provisions, and on returning they concluded to try what the country was like going in an easterly direction from Alice arm. A fall of three feet of soft snow, however, put this beyond possibility, and there was no alternative but to return to Victoria. The snow, Mr. Little says, will not be fit to walk on till February. Meanwhile the party will await instructions from the government as to the course of its operations.

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List of Lands and Improvements within the Corporation of the City of Victoria, to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 29th day of December, 1897, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock, noon, in pursuance of "The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-Law, 1897," unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes, Interest and Costs due in respect of each Lot in the Schedule hereunder written be paid.

Lot.	Block.	Section.	Lands and Improvements.	Assessed Owner.	Registered Owner.	Amount of Taxes for Year ending Dec. 31, 1897, unpaid Nov. 24th, 1897.	Collector's Commission and Contingent expenses of sale.	Total Amount of Taxes and Costs.
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N pt 15, do.	44		do do	do	do	13 50	1 89	15 39
S do do.	44		do do	do	do	2 00	28	2 28
1026.....	Z		do do	W. J. Cline	do	10 00	1 10	11 10
1038.....	Z		do do	J. Bigne	Not registered	39 76	5 56	45 32
1046.....	7		do and Imp.	Mrs. Rose Wallace	James Wallace	16 50	2 31	18 81
			do do	Shelton & Fleming	Frank Shelton and Lizzie Fleming			
1128.....	33		do do	B. H. John	Bedington, H. John	15 00	2 10	17 10
1129.....	33		do and Imp.	do	do	15 50	2 31	18 81
1203.....	T		do do	John Turner	John Turner	24 75	3 45	28 20
123 of 1257.....	T		do do	Winifred Gibson	Winifred Gibson	255 00	35 70	290 70
1301.....	46		do do	J. C. Prevost	Andrew D. Laing	31 50	4 41	35 91
1302.....	46		do do	do	do	42 37	5 93	48 30
1303.....	46		do do	do	do	41 25	5 77	47 02
1313.....	44		do and Imp.	G. A. Keefer	Not registered	43 88	6 14	50 02
1314.....	44		do do	do	do	39 74	5 56	45 30
E part 1631.....	32		do and Imp.	Mrs. Ellen Turner	Ellen Turner	39 74	5 56	45 30
1632.....	32		do do	do	do	6 00	2 62	8 62
1633.....	32		do do	do	do	18 75	2 56	21 37
1637.....	32		do do	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
1637.....	32		do do	do	do	27 00	3 78	30 78
1637.....	32		do do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 81
1 of 1707-1711.....	60	(Map 220)	do do	H. M. Dumbleton	Henry M. Dumbleton	21 00	2 94	23 94
1 of 1707-1711.....	60	do	do do	do	do	21 00	2 94	23 94
N part 1746.....	60	do	do do	A. J. Smith	Andrew J. Smith	27 00	3 78	30 78
1 of 1777-1791.....	61	do	do and Imp.	W. H. Flewin	Wm. Hy. Flewin	20 25	2 83	23 08
1807.....	63	do	do do	Est. W. C. Seeley	Wm. C. S. Seeley	35 82	5 01	40 83
1872.....	63	do	do and Imp.	do	do	45 94	6 43	52 37
1.....	15-16	Beckley Farm	do do	R. R. Bayne	Richard R. Bayne	24 00	3 36	27 36
1.....	20	do	do and Imp.	W. D. Morgan	Winslow D. Morgan	19 86	2 78	22 64
1.....	20	do	do do	Fred. McGraw	Frederick McGraw	18 90	2 66	21 56
1.....	21	do	do and Imp.	do	do	7 62	1 06	8 68
1.....	21	do	do do	W. H. Cowper	Wm. Hy. Cowper	51 00	7 14	58 14
1.....	21	do	do do	do	do	48 00	6 72	54 72
1 of 7-9.....	22	do	do do	do	do	55 50	7 77	63 27
1.....	1	Christ Ch. Tr. est.	do do	T. Corsan	Thomas Corsan	11 25	1 57	12 82
1.....	37	Fairfield Estate	do and Imp.	W. H. Ellis	Wm. H. Ellis	24 00	3 36	27 36
1.....	37	do	do do	do	do	35 25	4 43	39 68
1.....	19.....	do	do do	J. E. Martin	James Douglas	4 50	63	5 13
1.....	14	68 (Map 261)	do do	Richard Robinson	Catherine J. John	4 12	57	4 69
1.....	5a	68 & 74 (Map 260 a)	do do	Catherine J. John	Wm. R. Clarke	3 00	42	3 42
1.....	5a	do	do do	Est. W. R. Clarke	Benjamin S. Oddy	23 24	3 25	26 49
1.....	3	do	do do	A. L. Belyea	do	2 40	33	2 73
1.....	3	do	do do	do	do	2 40	33	2 73
1.....	5	do	do do	Mrs. Agnes Reid	Agnes Reid	4 87	68	5 55
1.....	5	do	do do	do	do	3 38	47	3 85
1.....	5	do	do do	Wm. Farmer	Euphemia Cline	4 05	56	4 61
1.....	5	do	do do	Wm. Moore	do	3 38	47	3 85
1.....	5	do	do do	Dr. L. N. McKechie	do	3 37	47	3 84
1.....	5	do	do do	do	do	4 05	56	4 61
1.....	74	do	do do	J. J. Austin	John J. Austin	4 50	63	5 13
1.....	74	do	do do	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 81
1.....	2-3	Fernwood Estate.	do do	do	do	13 50	1 89	15 39
1.....	2-3	do	do do	E. G. Anderson	P. W. Patterson and Ed. G. Anderson	1 39	19	1 58
1.....	11-17 &c	do	do and Imp.	J. H. Brownlee	Annie Hind	15 00	2 10	17 10
1.....	23 22	do	do do	H. Smith	William Wilson	3 75	52	4 27
1.....	34	do	do do	P. S. Fenerty, et al.	Sarsfield, Joseph, Kate, Anna and John Fenerty	300 99	42 13	343 12
1.....	36	do	do do	do	do	89 42	12 53	101 95
1.....	58-59	do	do do	John Colbert	Daniel R. Young	17 25	2 41	19 66
1.....	69	do	do do	J. J. Austin	J. J. Austin	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	69	do	do do	John Teague	John Teague	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	69	do	do do	do	do	6 00	84	6 84
1.....	69	do	do do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	69	do	do do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	11	do	do do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	15-48 &c	do	do do	Chan Man Cheong	E. B. C. Hannington and Hy. Croft	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	25	do	do do	W. H. Philpott	Wm. H. Philpott	5 01	70	5 71
1.....	25	do	do do	G. A. McBain	John D. Foreman	6 56	92	7 48
1.....	69-72	Spring Ridge	do and Imp.	C. Farrington	Christopher Farrington	7 50	1 05	8 55
1.....	69-72	do	do do	Mrs. M. R. Robbins	Clara O'Hagerty	9 00	1 26	10 26
1.....	Suburban	5-acre lots N 1/2 7	do and Imp.	W. S. Cline	Walter J. Cline	21 00	2 94	23 94
1.....	do	do	do do	Thos. Tugwell	Thomas Tugwell	17 25	2 41	19 66
1.....	do	do	do do	F. H. Curry	Frank H. Curry	5 40	75	6 15
1.....	do	do	do do	Mrs. John Smith	John Smith	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	A	Finlayson Est	do and Imp.	do	do	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	B	do	do do	Mrs. Kate Wilson	Joseph Wilson	25 50	3 57	29 07
1.....	C	do	do do	T. J. Dearberg	Thomas J. Dearberg	18 00	2 52	20 52
1.....	E	Work Estate	do do	Tong Yee & Co.	Charles J. Mulkey	18 00	2 52	20 52
1.....	E	do	do do	H. E. Levy	Emmanuel Levy	11 55	1 61	13 16
1.....	E	do	do do	do	do	10 80	1 51	12 31
1.....	E	do	do do	do	do	12 00	1 68	13 68
1.....	I	do	do and Imp.	do	do	16 50	2 31	18 81
1.....	Q	do	do do	do	do	23 25	3 25	26 50
1.....	Q	do	do do	N. P. Snowden	Northrup P. Snowden	9 00	1 26	10 26
1.....	1, 7, 8, 9	do (Map 162)	do do	do	do	10 50	1 47	11 97
1.....	7	Hillside Ext. IV	do do	Loo Chong Shang & Chow Kai	Royal Agnew	33 73	4 72	38 45
1.....	7	do	do and Imp.	Donald Smith	Donald Smith	13 50	1 89	15 39
1.....	7	do	do do	do	do	17 25	2 41	19 66
1.....	9	do IV	do do	J. A. Grant	James A. Grant	14 25	1 99	16 24
1.....	10	do IV	do do	James Jeffery	James Jeffery	9 75	1 36	11 11
1.....	13	do C	do and Imp.	Mrs. L. Winnett	Lydia Winnett	7 50	1 05	8 55
1.....	13	do C	do do	do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
1.....	7-9	Saatch Ext	do do	Sam Wai	Sam Wai	3 38	47	3 85
1.....	7-9	do	do do	do	do	3 00	42	3 42
1.....	56-57 &c	29-30 Oaklands	do and Imp.	A. V. Wover	Emmanuel Levy and Emmanuel J. Salmon	5 99	84	6 83
1.....	do	do	do do	G. P. Carter	Joshua Davies			
1.....	do	do	do do	F. J. Jallit	Henry Moss	4 23	59	4 82
1.....	do	do	do do	do	do	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	do	do	do do	do	do	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	do	do	do do	Est. Geo. Fairbrother	do	2 70	38	3 08
1.....	1-5	10 Victoria West	do do	C. Farrington	Not registered	52 00	7 25	59 25
1.....	1-5	do	do do	Thos. Henderson	Thos. Henderson	4 50	63	5 13
1.....	1-5	do	do do	do	do	4 13	58	4 71
1.....	1-5	do	do and Imp.	R. Kenny	Emmanuel J. Salmon	3 37	47	3 84
1.....	1-5	do	do do	Robt. Whittly	do	3 38	47	3 85
1.....	8-12	do	do do	Thos. Turnbull	Thomas Turnbull	4 13	58	4 71
1.....	13-17	do	do do	do	do	2 25	31	2 56
1.....	13-17	do	do do	Thos. Henderson	Thos. Henderson	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	13-17	do	do do	do	do	5 25	73	5 98
1.....	F 31	do	do do	Styles & Banfield	George Elvin	9 75	1 37	11 12
1.....	F 31	do	do and Imp.	do	do	7 50	1 05	8 55
1.....	N 31	do	do do	Mrs. T. N. Butcher	Thomas N. Butcher	1 50	21	1 71
1.....	N 31	do	do do	do	do	1 50	21	1 71
1.....	W 31	do	do and Imp.	T. W. Fletcher	Thomas W. Fletcher	4 88	68	5 56
1.....	W 31	do	do do	Mrs. L. M. Boggs	Louisa M. Boggs	7 50	1 05	8 55
1.....	N 31	do	do and Imp.	do	do	25 50	3 57	29 07
1.....	Lime Bay	do	do do	W. R. Jones	Wilfrid R. Jones	9 75	1 36	11 11
1.....	do	do	do and Imp.	do	do	9 75	1 36	11 11
1.....	1-6	do	do do	M. LeFurgy	Beaumont Boggs	2 25	32	2 57
1.....	1-6	do	do do	J. M. Morris	do	2 25	32	2 57
1.....	11-12	do	do do	Jno. Kinsman	Elbridge J. Christie	1 70	23	1 93
1.....	11-12	do	do do	do	do	1 33	19	1 52
1.....	18-19 &c	do	do and Imp.	McKay & Cannell	Kenneth Cannell and Alexander McKay	7 63	1 07	8 70

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THE SUB-PORT OF DYEA.

The strongest kind of pressure is being brought to bear upon the United States congress to abolish the sub-port of Dyea. Representations have gone forward from all the Chambers of Commerce of the Pacific states, and it is possible that there may be a strong enough influence to secure the making of the order. Under these circumstances it is the duty of every British Columbia paper, and every person and organization in British Columbia, to stand up strongly for the rights of Canada.

The first point that we make is that the right of the United States to interfere in any way with the transit of goods inland from the head of Lynn Canal is exceedingly doubtful. At the same time, being in possession, that government has a *de facto* authority in the premises, and this we assume must be recognized. The necessity of promptly settling the boundary question is made very evident by this. In the meantime, however, Canada has much the best of the case as it stands.

The case as presented by the Post-Intelligencer may, after taking out its expletives and bombast, be summarized thus: That in exchange for a sub-port at Dyea, Canada ought to admit United States goods into the Yukon duty free, and to grant the right to United States citizens to carry goods in bond through Canadian territory to points on the lower Yukon. Taking up the last proposition first, we have no hesitation in saying that it is perfectly reasonable. There is no avenue to interior Alaska available for any long period in each year except that which crosses Canada. We entirely favor the idea of permitting the transit of goods in bond across Canadian territory. We have not only no objections, but would be extremely glad to see all goods used in interior Alaska carried across Canada. If we are not mistaken as to the wealth of that territory, there will be many valuable mines discovered there, and the transportation of goods will be a very important business. There is a distance of about six hundred miles to be traversed, and this will give a lucrative business for any transportation companies that may be established on the Yukon and for any railways that may be built across Canada. We are neither so unneighborly nor so utterly bereft of business sense as to desire to see the United States refused a privilege that will mean the expenditure of many thousands of dollars in the Dominion and will contribute towards the securing for the Canadian Yukon better means of transportation than it might otherwise enjoy.

The fact of the matter is that the interests of both countries are identical. Both have rich gold-bearing districts that can only be got at from one direction. It is to the interest of the people of Canada that no obstacles shall be thrown in the way of the ready transportation of goods across the strip of territory which, pending the settlement of the boundary question, is under the jurisdiction of the United States. It is to the interest of the people of the United States that there should be no obstacles thrown in the way of the transit of their goods across the very wide area which is beyond all question the property of Canada. In view of these considerations there ought not to be, and we fancy there will not be, the slightest difficulty in arriving at an agreement between the two governments.

As to the first proposition, that in exchange for the establishment of a sub-port at Dyea, Canada should permit United States goods to go into the Yukon duty free, it will not be entertained for a single moment by the government or people of Canada. There is no use in our neighbors deceiving themselves with any such false hope. To grant what they ask would be equivalent to surrendering the sovereignty of the Yukon territory, and that is a thing which Canada will not think of doing for a single instant. We are at a loss to imagine where the people of the United States Coast cities get their extraordinary conception of international usage that leads them to suggest such a thing.

We have said that the influence brought to bear at Washington may be sufficient to secure the desired action, and if so, Dyea will be closed. In this event the course of the Canadian Government is clear. Lake Tagish and the whole Lewis river must be closed to the transportation of men and goods. Not one man and not one pound of merchandise should be allowed to enter the Yukon by the way of Lynn Canal. This will be a heroic measure, but it will be a just one and will prove effectual. The moment the sub-port at Dyea is abolished a proclamation ought to be issued at Ottawa declaring the routes into the Yukon via Lake Tagish closed. This would have the immediate effect of killing every project for transportation across the passes. And the thing ought to be done and done without an instant's delay. Canada controls the situation and has an opportunity to show it. We are satisfied that if it were known that such a step would be taken by the Dominion government the agitation for the closing of Dyea would cease immediately. The result of the closing of the Canadian end of the passes would be that the Stickeen route would be immediately popularized and Skagway, Dyea and Chilkat would return to their primitive condition of a howling wilderness.

The people who are agitating for the closing of Dyea do not expect to succeed. They are working for effect only. They want to be able to send word abroad that by the closing of this sub-port Canadian trade will be hampered, and hence that it will be better for people to buy goods in the United States. They will change their tune when they see how Canada can strike back. What will be the use of that so-called Seattle enterprise, namely, a railway from Chilkat to the Yukon, if the Canadian government says that no freight or passengers shall go into the country except by way of the Hootalinqua? What will be the use of the tramway at Dyea if Lake Tagish is to be closed to traffic? What will be the good of building a railway by way of the White Pass if it cannot carry passengers or freight beyond the conventional boundary? This is just what will happen if the purblind people of the United States Coast cities succeed in their mad attempt to block Canadian trade at Dyea.

We tell the people of Seattle that in this matter they have twenty times as much to ask from Canada as Canada has to ask from the United States. They may bluster and threaten, or rather their papers may, but they will find the people of Canada know their rights, and knowing dare maintain. What is more, they will find that the very great majority of the people of the United States will see the utter unreasonableness of their contention. We hope that the government at Washington will refuse to listen to what is a very silly and utterly indefensible demand.

A LITTLE ADVICE TO TENDERFEET.

Thousands of men will go into the wilderness of British Columbia and the Yukon next year with scarcely any experience. Many of them will go through the sensation of being lost, which is, perhaps, about as uncomfortable a performance as one can very well have. Nearly every one who cruises in a region that is new to him is likely to get astray, but this does not matter very much to him while his pack is full of provisions. It is the man whose "grub" has run short and who is making his way back to camp that is liable to suffer from being lost. As this may be any one's experience a word or two based upon practical knowledge may be of service to some.

The writer of this article once employed an Indian to cruise out a route for a road through a very little known portion of Eastern Canada. The Indian was gone longer than was expected and on being asked for his reason, said he had been lost. Asked what he had done then he answered, "Biled kettle. When Injun lost, Injun biled kettle." There is a lot of wisdom in this answer. It means that he cooked a meal.

Other experienced cruisers express the same idea by saying that when a man is lost he should camp. The philosophy of the thing is that the sensation of being lost is likely, in the case of the inexperienced, to lead to bewilderment, and to be bewildered may lead to very serious results. While "Injun biled kettle," he gets time to think. He also gets time to familiarize himself with his surroundings. This gives him a new point of departure. He is no longer lost, for he can as well start to find his way from one place as from another.

This is all very elementary, and very simple; but hundreds of men have been saved a good deal of trouble by observing the rule, and hundreds more would have been benefited by following it. Nothing is

so destructive to a man's self-control as to aimlessly wander through a wilderness searching for the way out. He soon loses all sense of distance or direction. He will pass and repass the same spot without recognizing it. He will do all manner of foolish things. We are speaking now to the inexperienced, that is to the majority of those who will try the Northern wilderness next year. Keep the experienced Indian's saying in mind: "When Injun lost, Injun biled kettle." It may save you lots of trouble, and may be from a worse fate than trouble.

Those persons who have followed what the COLONIST has had to say in regard to the sealing question will be surprised when we tell them that it has drawn forth a bitter personal attack upon the editor of the COLONIST from the Post-Intelligencer. We ask no better proof than our position is unassailable. The whole contention between the two papers has been as to which country was asked to make a sacrifice in regard to pelagic sealing. The COLONIST's contention is that pelagic sealing is a right inherent in British subjects by the law of nations and therefore, if it is to be surrendered, the United States must be prepared to give something in exchange. The Seattle paper's answer to this is that the editor of the COLONIST came from the Province of New Brunswick and is of loyalist stock. The editor of the COLONIST respectfully suggests to the Post-Intelligencer that the place of his birth and his ancestry are not of international importance. The Paris arbitrators did not consider these matters at all. The editor of the COLONIST does not believe that the Paris arbitrators ever heard of him and he is therefore unable to discover what bearing the place of his nativity has upon the right of Canadians to kill seals in the open ocean. He insists that he is not a *casus belli*. He most respectfully declines to be made the subject of diplomatic correspondence. The sensation of being assailed in the Washington press because he has been right on public questions is not altogether a novel one. He has been belabored personally for his views and conduct on the Venezuelan question. He was charged by one paper in the neighboring state with being "one of Russia's bitterest enemies," and his pedigree and personal history were cited to prove it. Indeed, his critics being the judges, the editor of the COLONIST might be justified in regarding himself as one of the Great Powers. The reason of these personal attacks are that a lot of very cheap little people write editorials for papers across the line. They are absolutely ignorant of anything above the grade of ward politics, and when confronted with a sensible argument have no course left them except personal abuse. Meanwhile the editor of the COLONIST presents his compliments to the Post-Intelligencer, and hopes it feels better.

Our attention has been drawn to the fact that the only registry office on the Yukon is at Dawson City, which will necessitate hundreds of miles of travel by prospectors. An office ought, we think, to be established in the early spring at some point on the Hootalinqua, say where the river leaves Lake Teelin. Hon. Mr. Sifton will doubtless appreciate the importance of this as much as anyone, and we have no doubt that he will take the necessary action as soon as the matter is brought under his notice.

Referring to the closing portion of an article in last night's Times, wherein an attempt is made to create the impression that a communication signed B. B., lately printed in the COLONIST, was from a government official, the editor of the COLONIST desires to say that since he has been in charge of the paper no government official has written a communication to the COLONIST, except over his own signature.

The Vancouver World says many pleasant things about Mr. Gordon Hunter, whom it is backing up for the vacant judgeship. It declares one reason why it favors his cause to be that he has promised to move to the Mainland if appointed. We note that it is necessary to pay a Victoria man to move to Vancouver.

The Rossland Miner continues to agitate for a first class wagon road from Rossland to Boundary Creek. We hope its efforts will be crowned with success. Even if a railway is built the wagon road will remain a necessity.

BRITISH COLUMBIA inscribed 3 per cents. were quoted in London on November 26 at 104-100. The credit of the province seems pretty good notwithstanding the attacks upon Hon. Mr. Turner, its finance minister.

We may remark in passing that there has been some rain recently.

A genuine ghost-story has yet to be attested, but not so a genuine blood-purifier. Over and over again it has been proved that Ayer's Sarsaparilla stands alone among medicines as the most reliable tonic-alternative in pharmacy. It stood alone at the World's Fair.

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THE CASCADE CITY ROAD.

Never before in the history of the Rossland board of trade did it display more wisdom, more foresight, more regard for the welfare of the city, than when, through its committee yesterday, it endorsed the suggestion of the Miner for roads for the Trail Creek mining division, and directed the asking of an appropriation from the provincial government for the purpose of building it. The council has not only expressed itself as unanimously in favor of the construction of a highway from Rossland to Cascade City, but very properly suggested that it is advisable to have constructed a wagon road from Rossland to Sheep Lake, and also one from Waneta up the Pend d'Oreille in order to tap the mining belt in the upper reaches of the river. It is evident from the action taken that the members of the board of trade consider that highways are needed in all directions from Rossland, and that the more there are the better it will be for its good, and also for the Trail Creek district generally.

The thoroughfare from here to Cascade City is the most important of the three for the reason that it will open up a large and rich area that lies to the west of Cascade City, to the merchants of this camp. In addition to this, there is the trade and traffic that will come from the very promising mining country between here and that city. This main highway, with its lateral branches, that are sure to be constructed in time, will bring thousands of dollars worth of traffic to this city, and will be a factor of considerable importance in its future. One important feature is that its benefits will increase as time goes on. The recommendation that the Dewdney trail route be used is a good one. The course followed by this trail was carefully laid out by competent engineers, and we think that it is as advantageous a one as could be followed in the construction of the proposed thoroughfare.

The road to Sheep Lake will open up the valuable mining region between here and its terminus, besides the opulent mining country along Stony, Rock, Murphy and Sullivan creeks and the region to the summit of the Gold range. There can be no possibility of the trade of this section going anywhere else than to this city once the route between here and Sheep Lake is spanned by a highway along which all can pass without paying toll.

As to the wagon road from Waneta into the upper reaches of the Pend d'Oreille, on the east side of the Columbia river, it does not seem that it will, if constructed, confer any great benefit on Rossland. It is true that a number of the residents here are interested in mining properties along the Pend d'Oreille, whom it will profit individually. While it would be a good thing to help these citizens, still sight must not be lost of the fact that if we ask too much from the government we will succeed in getting nothing. On the other hand, if our demands are modest, and it can be shown that the roads are needed, we are almost certain to secure what we ask for. It looks as though the petition will be more effective if the Pend d'Oreille road is left out. If a petition was gotten up and forwarded from the mine owners of the section tributary to the proposed road along the Pend d'Oreille river, it doubtless would prove effective in bringing about the desired result, but mixing this proposition with those that concern Rossland directly is not good generalship and may result in defeating the entire plan.—Rossland Miner.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

A Cleveland man says his wife sat on him, therefore he wants a divorce. Some men think that what is pleasant before marriage becomes a crime after the knot is tied.—Cleveland Leader.

Teacher—If anyone tries hard he will never fail.
 Little Johnny—Father did.—New York Lager.

Joan—Why do you never speak to Mr. Outre? He is uncouth, but I feel sure he is a diamond in the rough.

Katherine—So do I. That's why I'm cutting him.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

"It's too bad they didn't have judges in Adam's time."

"Why?"

"Think of the trouble he might have saved by getting an injunction to restrain the angel from driving him out of the garden of Eden."—Chicago Daily News.

"A dike is a sort of a dam, isn't it?"

"Yes; why?"

"Then I think that in view of the amount of profanity the Klondyke has provoked its name should be changed to Klondam."

Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

"Do you consider it healthful to sleep after eating?"

"I don't know; but I've always found it mighty healthy to eat after sleeping."

Detroit Free Press.

She—I don't see what draws you men into politics. As for me, I can't make anything out of it.

He—It is the hope of making something out of it that makes so many men go in.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

It was at an afternoon tea and the crush was simply horrid. It seemed that nothing would save the few men present, when one quick-witted woman exclaimed: "Ladies, please remember there are gentlemen in the crowd!"

It was all that preserved the poor things from a horrible fate.—Philadelphia North American.

Beggs—There is something lacking in Berry's makeup as a gentleman. I can't exactly explain it; it is something intangible.

Meigs—"Intangible"—that means he can't be touched.—Indianapolis Journal.



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ticulars apply to Dr. Lewis Hall, corner
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The marriage of Mr. John Hyland, of
Telegraph Creek, formerly a well-known
resident of this city, to Miss Winnifred
Phillips, daughter of Mr. J. P. M. Phil-
lips, of San Francisco, was celebrated in
the Bay City last evening.

REV. J. E. GARDNER, formerly of this
city and better known as Dr. Gardner in
the cities of Puget Sound, arrived here
yesterday from San Francisco. He is
required as a witness in the forgery case
of the Chinaman Hok Taw, arising out
of the memorable Port Townsend custom
house scandals.

LAST evening's meeting of the mem-
bers of Seghers Council, No. 85, Y.M.I.,
was rendered particularly entertaining
by a debate on the long vexed question,
"Is Marriage a Failure." While ad-
mitting that, as the late Billy Florence
so happily observed, "it all depends,"
and at the same time not anticipating
that their verdict will be accepted as
final—the debaters gave excellent rea-
sons both for and against the proposition
that it is not good for man to be alone.

ALL the pretty dolls, both big and
little, that have their homes over in Vic-
toria West, will be sure to attend to-
day's doll party under the auspices of
the ladies of St. Saviour's church. And
such a gathering of golden haired, big-
blue-eyed beauties will be the result
that all who attend will surely be de-
lighted. The dolls and their elaborate
costumes will not alone command atten-
tion, however, for in addition there is to
be the first Christmas tree of the season,
for the edification of the little folk, and
a sale of plain and fancy needlework for
the seniors.

The Klondyke Mining, Trading and
Transport Corporation have purchased
the first class ocean steamer Amur.
This vessel is daily expected to arrive at
Labuan, from which port she will sail to
Victoria, arriving here about January 15.
The Amur has the highest rating at
Lloyd's and is fitted with all modern
appliances. She will go on the route up
the coast and will make one or more
trips to St. Michael's. It is the inten-
tion of the company to give an ex-
ceptionally commodious steamer service
and to be in position to take care of its
patrons from Victoria to their destina-
tion by whatever route they may go.

THERE is a lack of formality about all
of the entertainments projected and pre-
sented by the ladies of the Church of
Our Lord which fully entitles them to
the often abused name of "social." Those
who have not already verified this
interesting fact will have the oppor-
tunity of doing so this afternoon and
evening, when the younger members of
the congregation give their Christmas
sale of work and luncheon at the Phil-
harmonic hall on Fort Street. The even-
ing programme will consist of music,
both vocal and instrumental, contrib-
uted by so well known and qualified en-
tertainers as the Misses Hartnagle, Lom-
bard, Hibben, Young, Logrin, Marrack
and McFavish; Meadames Helmcken,
Jones and H. B. Young; and Messrs.
Russell, Laundry, Nash and Moxon.

SEATTLE'S business men and Klondyke
boomers must be very desperate indeed
when they will descend to the step they
are now taking in the effort to get from
Victoria a part of the spring outfitting
trade that properly belongs to this city,
and is bound to come here despite all the
city on the Sound may do. This latest
move referred to is to send an agent to
Victoria with a series of questions which
he propounds to the local merchants—
where do they buy their goods, how do
they pack them, what are absolute
essentials in a miner's outfit, etc.? No
doubt the merchants of the Sound city
would very much like to have all these
questions answered—it might go a long
way toward putting them on equal terms
with their Victoria rivals to know where
and how they buy, and what lessons
their experience as outfitters during the
past fifty years has taught them. These
are the little things that give Victoria
the advantage, and it is not likely that
Victorians will pass over this much busi-
ness capital.

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Chorus and orchestra of the concert to
be given by Mr. F. Victor Austin, in
aid of the British Columbia Benevolent
Society, meet for practice at 7:45 p.m. to-
day, at Pioneer hall.

The injunction asked for by Mrs.
Jamieson against the city of Victoria
came up before Mr. Justice Walkem
yesterday and was adjourned till Wed-
nesday. As explained on Sunday, the
injunction was to restrain the city from
selling for taxes due for 1894 and 1895
land bought by Mrs. Jamieson in 1896,
from the city, at a tax sale.

The honorary treasurer of the B. C.
Protestant Orphans Home thankfully
acknowledges receipt of \$100 for the
orphans from Messrs. Dier, Davidson &
Russell, of Fairview, B.C., and also the
following donations of Admiral's house
tax refund: W. W. Northcott, \$3.40; C.
Morley, \$4.95; P. Hansen, \$2.15; W.
Scowcroft, .70; and R. Hamilton, \$1.10.

MAYOR REDFERN is the first of the
members of the municipal board to de-
clare himself in the running for a sec-
ond term, no other candidate for the
mayoralty, with the possible exception
of Hon. Robert Beaven, being as yet
spoken of. Of the retiring school trust-
ees—Mr. Belyea announces that he will
not stand for re-election; Mr. J. S.
Yates, it is thought will; and Mrs. Grant
has not yet decided what her action will
be in the premises.

EXCEPTIONALLY large congregations
were present at both morning and even-
ing services in Emmanuel Baptist church
on Sunday last, when Rev. P. H. Mc-
Ewen, the former pastor of the church
and now resident in New Westminster,
occupied his old pulpit and renewed ac-
quaintance with his late parishioners.
Last evening the reverend gentleman at-
tended the regular meeting of the Young
People's Union, and delivered an inter-
esting and helpful address to that body.

TO HEAR the choir of the First Presby-
terian church in a pretentious musical
work, especially if that work be Scottish
in its character, is a treat indeed. Hence
it will be well for those who desire to
secure seats of vantage at to-morrow
evening's presentation of the cantata
"Maid of Lorne," under Mr. J. G.
Brown's direction, to obtain their tick-
ets in advance and be early at the hall
on Blanchard street, which is to be the
scene of the attraction. A crowded house
is a practical certainty.

It appears to be a characteristic of the
Richardson family to act heroically when
human life is in danger, or at all events
Fred Richardson has thus distinguished
himself on several occasions, and now it
is G. A. Richardson who is entitled to
public recognition as a life-saver. He
was working yesterday morning at his
boathouse on the inner harbor front, in
company with F. J. Angel. The latter
in some way lost his footing and fell in-
to the water, encumbered by a heavy
overcoat which would assuredly have
dragged him down to death had not Mr.
Richardson immediately realized his
danger and with equal promptness
sprang to his rescue. As a result neither
is at all injured, while Angel is deprived
of the opportunity of joining his family.

A TRUE contralto voice, perfectly de-
veloped and handled with all the grace
of the thorough artist. Such a voice is
said to be the delightful possession of
Mme. Graham, late principal contralto
of the world-famed Carl Rosa opera com-
pany, and known to numerous Victoria
friends by her private name, Mrs.
Brougham. At the request of many
home lovers of good music, this talented
lady has consented to give a concert at
the Institute hall this evening, when she
will present, with the assistance of a
double quartette from the Arion club,
the very meritorious programme which
was published in full in Sunday's issue
of the COLONIST. Mme. Graham's solos
are selected to suit all tastes, from the
works of Lalo, Chaminade, Bohm,
Kjerulf, Gatty, Meyerbeer, Gounod,
White (M.V.), Schumann and Battison
Haines.

MORE than a week ago a story gained
circulation that a woman resident at 25
Broughton street had, by falling from a
window, received fatal injuries. This
report has now been repeated so often,
and with so many variations, that it is
perhaps well to give the police version of
what has happened. Chief Sheppard
has received notice of the occurrence,
but does not apprehend any serious re-
sults to the victim of the fall, known as
Lou Ross. She is, as Chief Sheppard is
informed, a somnambulist, and, while
walking in her dreams, fell from the
second story window, and injured her
spine so badly that she has since been
confined to the hospital. As to the re-
port that the woman was hurled from the
window by her husband or some other
person claiming to be such, on her re-
fusal to disclose the whereabouts of a
child—the Chief has received no infor-
mation.

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THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Elect Officers for 1898 and Receive
Reports of the Past Year's
Work.Chinese Slavery Again Touched
Upon—Women on the Hospi-
tal Directorate.

The Local Council of Women of Vic-
toria and Vancouver Island held their
third annual meeting at the city hall,
yesterday, re-electing the old officers
with the exception of the vice-presi-
dents, and afterwards debating and
adopting a series of interesting resolu-
tions, and listening to a number of short
papers and addresses apropos of the ob-
jects and accomplishments of the asso-
ciation. The vice-presidents chosen for
the ensuing year are: First, Mrs. Rob-
son; second, Miss Lawson; third, Mrs.
Robert Beaven; fourth, Mrs. Angus; and
fifth, Mrs. McQuade. On the conclusion
of the opening formalities, a telegraphic
message of greeting from Lady Aberdeen
was read, in which the Countess ex-
pressed regret at her inability to be pre-
sent, and hoped that excellent results
would follow the work of the Victoria
council. The annual address was then
read by Mrs. Baker, the president, as
follows:

Ladies of the Council:—To-day we
hold the third annual meeting of our
Local Council of Women, and although
anniversaries must ever bring with them
something of sadness and regret for deeds
or duties left undone, they are also sign-
posts to mark progress and cheer us on
our way to future attainments.
One of our great sources of encourage-
ment in our work to-day—indeed our
very greatest—is drawn from the unani-
mous sanction extended to it by our
bishops and clergy, who during the past
week have united in intercession for us,
that our efforts may be blessed and our
councils guided by inspiration from
above. In the strength of this divine
support we may safely, but in all humil-
ity, take up the burden of another year.
Our chief source of regret in the past
lies in our failure to gain the support of
the authorities for two measures which
we earnestly desired to carry—the en-
forcement of the Curfew law, which is
now in operation in most Canadian
cities, and the establishment of an in-
dustrial home for boys; movements
which the late sad disclosures of juvenile
delinquency in our midst have shown to
be primary necessities in this city, for it
is universally conceded that true pro-
gress, as well as benevolence and econo-



Beautiful eyes grow dull and dim
As the swift years steal away.
Beautiful, willowy forms so slim
Lose fairness with every day.
But she still is queen and hath charms to
spare
Who wears youth's coronal—beautiful
hair.

Preserve Your Hair

and you preserve your youth.
"A woman is as old as she
looks," says the world. No
woman looks as old as she is
if her hair has preserved its
normal beauty. You can keep
hair from falling out, restoring
its normal color, or restore the
normal color to gray or faded
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my lie in the prevention rather than the
correction of evil.

Of our efforts in the past twelve
months—what our council has attempt-
ed or accomplished—we shall shortly
hear in the report of our recording sec-
retary. Our work has been ever directed
towards movements and reforms which
touch the home at every point, and if
our reach has been sometimes higher
than our grasp, we are not thereby dis-
courage, but shall continue to strive
until we attain.
This year (1897) has been in every
sense the jubilee of woman. Not only
has it given an immense stimulus to our
individual loyalty and patriotism, but
an unprecedented encouragement and
inspiration to womanhood collectively,
for one of us—a very woman in every
thought and action—has celebrated the
sixtieth year of a rein unparalleled in
England's or the world's history. Our
sovereign lady the Queen, as monarch,
wife and mother; head of the state,
of society and of a household, has held be-
fore us an ideal womanhood and brought
into undisputed recognition our capabil-
ities and potentialities; setting the moral
height and standard to which the hum-
blest of her sisters may aspire; for not
primarily as the greatest sovereign of the
greatest empire in the world will our
Queen's name be handed down to com-
ing ages, but as the exemplary domestic
pattern of those womanly virtues and
graces which may adorn the lowliest sta-
tion.

The central idea of our council's teach-
ings is: "The Home and How to Ele-
vate It"; not, indeed, limiting it to a
place enclosed between four walls, with
bounded horizon of personal cares and
griefs and joys, but inciting us to reach
out helping hands to less favored lives
and homes, striving to let in a little sun-
shine and landscape where unwholesome
environment and physical discomfort
make the name of home too often but a
pious mockery; and while we emphati-
cally deprecate any claims which are de-
trimental to our own first duties, we
have in our Queen's splendid record the
incontestable evidence that even the
world-wide interests of a throne are not
necessarily prejudicial to the right order-
ing of the house-mother's kingdom.

In this year also we have seen a great
convention reigned over by another
woman, Frances Willard, the queen of
temperance, whose noble life and work
open out to us another sphere of woman-
hood, the right to work for the uplifting
of humanity and the elevating of our-
selves and others to higher aims and
ends, not only in organized opposition to
those grosser lives, usually connected
with intemperance, but systematically
suppressing in ourselves intemperate
thought and judgments, abstaining from
uncharity and self-indulgence in every
form, qualifying us to wear the white
ribbon of blameless lives.

With such examples as these, let none
assert that woman's life must needs be
a contracted or circumscribed one.
From them we may all gather encour-
agement, and larger views in our dif-
ferent vocations and stations in life, bound
to these noble souls by our common tie
of womanhood; and if among these great
representative women I have not spec-
ially included our council queen and pres-
ident, it is only because she reigns ever
in our hearts; the head and spirit of our
Continued on page Six.

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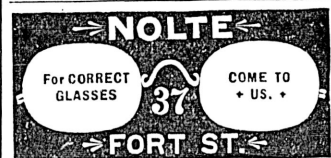
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THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL.

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work, the very embodiment and incarnation of the Woman's Council.

It is wholly due to our president's talents and energy that this, the greatest organization of woman's work ever attempted, has reached its present successful issue, for the stage of this movement has now passed when we stood in the attitude of apologists, endeavoring to justify our existence. The prejudice and indifference which assailed the council at its inception has given place to generous and outspoken appreciation from the leaders of the nation, in church and state—able and thoughtful men, whose approval in itself bestows a badge of merit.

It is now recognized on all sides that "the rights of women," a term supposed to suggest bold assertion and aggressive agitation, means in council ethics but woman's right to fulfil (in a larger spirit and with a higher motive than before) her duty to herself, her home and the world, to be true to the higher self in her, and to live up to her responsibilities and privileges.

Perhaps our greatest danger now lies in the unguardedness born of success; and some among us would doubtless emphasize the wisdom of moderation, and of making haste slowly, but the council amalgamates and utilizes us all, the seniors with their conservative traditions to restrain and moderate the young with their newer lights and progressive energy to point to wider spheres and lead the way.

And, now remains the crucial test of all, are we each individually and in one corporate capacity living up to the council's great standard? We all know that it is easier to die for a creed than to live up to it! This is a world-wide power for good, but only in so far as every link in the great chain is sound and strong—the local councils loyal to the national, every affiliated society staunch to the local—and every member of every society linked to all in faith and loyalty.

We have for our motto one of the grandest ethical precepts ever enunciated, laid down for us by the Divine Teacher the world has ever seen, or ever will see: Are we each doing our utmost best to follow His Divine Teaching? and do we for a moment realize what this lived-out love of humanity, always linked to its only safe incentive love to God, would mean? It would mean the opening of Heaven's gates on earth. Universal brotherhood would be no longer a meaningless phrase. Egoism, and individualism, and greed—those triune curses of humanity would be relegated to the father of evil.

We should learn to look with scorn on miserable aims that end with self, and touch with healing hand the festering sores of life.

Thus may woman "solve the riddle of this painful earth," and to us be given the supreme honor of "preparing the way of the Lord and making straight His paths."

THE FRIENDLY HELP.

The other important report of the morning was a resume of the work accomplished during the past year by the Friendly Help Association, this document reading as follows:

Madame President and Ladies: With the generous help of His Worship the Mayor, kind friends, and our own united efforts, we have been able to relieve the several wants of three hundred and twenty-two needy cases, from the 1st of January to the end of November of the present year. Our methods of assisting are somewhat varied. Strong and able-bodied men are instructed to earn their food and clothing, the former from the city, the latter through the Salvation Army. The aged, needy and helpless get prompt and generous assistance. One great fact we wish to impress on the kind-hearted people of our city is the assisting of door to door beggars. In doing so they deal a death blow to our one great aim—that is, keeping a check on imposters. The city of Victoria is divided into small districts, each district having a lady visitor, so there are really no cases of neglect, and no need for begging. Our experience with a great deal of the poverty we meet is intemperance on the part of men, and lack of energy on the part of the women. If some wise head could suggest some way of dealing with the former mentioned evil, and the latter misfortune, a number of homes in our fair city would be different to what they are, and our Friendly Help Association would not be put to their wits' ends, as they are at times, to know how to deal with such cases.

The Council's treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of \$30.25. The expenditure for the year was \$53.10; the total receipts being \$83.35, twenty-five societies now being in affiliation.

THE CHINESE.

With the afternoon session came the series of resolutions prepared by the executive or offered by the affiliated societies, one half of these relating to the Chinese, their sanitary conditions and their treatment of the young women of their race. The first was presented by Mrs. Hinson Siddall in behalf of the Women's Missionary Society of the Metropolitan church, to the effect that the

"Woman's Council urge the sanitary officer to enforce upon the Chinese and other foreign residents in Victoria the rules and regulations regarding the inspection of their premises."

Mrs. Siddall in offering the resolution, remarked that she had visited Chinatown seven years ago and found its condition disgraceful. Lately she had again gone through the quarter, and regretted to find that no improvement had been made.

Before the debate proceeded further, Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Grant, representing the Women's Missionary Society of Calvary Baptist church, offered an amendment to the resolution, broadening the scope of the reform sought, and reading as follows:

"In consideration of the health of the citizens of Victoria and other cities of British Columbia, Resolved, that the Women's Council urge the necessity of the sanitary officers bringing to bear with greater stringency upon the English-speaking race and foreigners their rules, regulations and inspections relative to the houses, premises, streets, lanes and alleys thereof."

In speaking to this amendment, Mrs. Andrews urged the desirability of looking first of all at home in the initiation of reforms.

"Before dealing with the Chinese," she said, "let us set them a good example."

This view of the question was in a

measure shared by Mrs. Grant, the second of the amendment, who did not for a moment maintain that the Chinese should be exempt from sanitary measures, although holding that the reforms should commence with the white population. She instanced Store street as an example of neglected sanitation and disregard for section 49 of the Public Health by-law.

Mrs. Conybeare Craven held that the sanitary conditions practically of the whole city were not what they should be, and maintained that very little heed was paid to the by-law enacted in the interest of the public health. Similar views were expressed by Mrs. McNaughton, who told of streets in Victoria where the waste water from the houses runs into shallow roadway gutters, making scarlet fever and other diseases a natural sequence.

The amendment was adopted. Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Betts again directed attention to the prevalence of woman slavery among the Chinese, in a resolution offered by the Centennial Church Missionary Society and couched in the following language:

"Whereas the British law forbids the buying and selling of human beings and the holding of the same in bondage after they land in Great Britain or any of her colonies, and whereas there is good reason to believe that young girls are sometimes purchased in China and imported into British Columbia and are held as slaves in this province, even to the buying and selling of the same by Chinamen; therefore be it resolved that this Local Council of Women petition the Dominion government through the National Council to order an impartial investigation, and we would humbly suggest that copies of the law pertaining to slavery be printed and posted in conspicuous places such as customs and court houses, post offices and police stations throughout the province, and such efforts be made as may seem advisable to put a stop to the iniquitous traffic; and further, that the Chinese be compelled to comply with our laws in regard to coroner's inquest over sudden deaths; and further, that wherever possible, interpreters who are men of the Anglo-Saxon race and of unimpeachable reputation be employed in courts of law."

This resolution going more thoroughly into the subject aimed at than did the motion prepared by Mrs. Burkholder, it was substituted and became the main resolution by that lady's consent. In advancing it, Mrs. Chapman spoke briefly of the customs of the Chinese, who, she declared, thought no more of buying and selling their girls than of trafficking in chickens. She pointed out that under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church a "rescue home" had been established. The help of the council was now solicited, to see that the law prohibiting slavery is properly enforced. The second and third points contained in the resolution were also touched upon, and after Mrs. Betts had corroborated the statements of the mover, the motion prevailed unanimously.

INDECENT PICTURES.

Another, and the last resolution, came from the W.C.T.U. and was presented by Mrs. Spofford. It read:

"Whereas pictures of an indecent nature are often placarded in public places throughout our city, thereby having an immoral influence on the community at large. Therefore, be it resolved that the Women's Council request the civic authorities to take the necessary steps to prohibit the same."

The mover and two or three other ladies who followed her expressed themselves strongly in regard to music hall and theatrical posters displayed on local bill boards, and which they pronounced shockingly indecent, and calculated to corrupt the modesty of Victoria's young womanhood. Surprise was expressed that while Victoria had no law to be enforced in such matters, Toronto and other cities had, and the Council was urged to ask and work for such a municipal ordinance.

It was subsequently pointed out to the ladies that both the Criminal Code of Canada and the Public Morals by-law of Victoria, passed in 1880, fully cover the subject, and the ladies will accordingly seek enforcement of this existent legislation.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The recording secretary, Mrs. Gordon Grant, in her report, deals with the practical accomplishments of the past year, as hereunder:

Madame President and Ladies: Another twelvemonth has gone and it again becomes my duty to record the work done by the Victoria Council of Women during that time. The first work taken up was the nomination of a second lady school trustee last January, and in this effort we were successful in electing Mrs. Jenkins, and can now congratulate ourselves in having more ladies on our trustee board than any other city in the province.

The next work undertaken was the presentation of five petitions to the legislative assembly, one asking that our municipalities be empowered to pass curfew by-laws; a second that all stores be compelled to close their doors on the Sabbath day through legal enactment; a third that the study of temperance from a scientific standpoint be made compulsory in our public schools; a fourth asking that where practicable, manual labor be introduced in our schools; and a fifth petitioning that more stringent laws be made regarding the sale of poisons.

Notwithstanding that these petitions all touched the home—woman's domain—and our children—our cradle treasures—no action was taken by our legislators. In this work we were very materially helped by the other Councils of Women throughout the province and provincial Women's Christian Temperance Union, and although we have not been successful thus far these petitions are having an educative influence in the community.

An effort was also made by our Council of Women, in conjunction with other societies, to help homeless boys by the establishment of a farm institution. As yet, however, this has not been accomplished, although it is hoped that in the near future it may be established on a firm basis. Our committees on the circulation of literature, reading circles and the protection of women and children have been carrying on their work, and good results are already being borne from the efforts which have been made along these lines.

Our Friendly Help has done splendid work during the past twelvemonth in their systematic investigation of every case of poverty which has been brought to their notice and in supplying the wants of the needy ones. In these efforts

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When the cry of hunger came from India our sympathies and hearts were awakened for our suffering sisters, and a donation—small though it was—was given for those starving ones far away in the Eastern continent.

The scheme of the Victoria Order of Nurses was brought before our organization, thoroughly discussed and heartily endorsed. A local committee was appointed with ex-Lieut.-Governor Dewdney as chairman, and Mr. Galletly as honorary secretary and treasurer. Quite a sum of money was raised towards the support of this undertaking although not as much as we would like to have seen. We are glad to report that there is a probability that four or five of these homes will be established during the coming year.

While we have been looking after these other questions we do not forget the practical home work, and are endeavoring to arrange for a series of lessons in cooking, to be given by Miss Livingston, that the younger members of our homes may be skilled in the culinary art. We have been compelled to postpone these classes until the early spring, but hope by March or April to have Miss Livingston with us.

We have been compelled during the past year to give our valuable corresponding secretary, Mrs. Scaife, a leave of absence for a few months, but her place has been ably filled by Mrs. Angus. In closing our report we desire to express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His blessing on our efforts in the past year, and pray that we may be led by His hand during the coming year.

LORD'S TENTH CONFRATERNITY.

Mrs. Baker, the president of the council, presented the report setting forth the aims and hopes of the Confraternity of the Lord's Tenth. This systematic and practical method of giving to charity, she declared to be the practice of the Christian church for thousands of years and none the less binding to-day than centuries ago. In dealing with the selfishness of the age masquerading under the name of free will giving, Mrs. Baker had the following observations to offer:

"Why is it then that our practice of giving has deteriorated so much, that we think we are doing our full share toward the support of our churches and the various charities when we assist in some entertainment or festivity which will draw money from our own or other unwilling purses—a ball or bazaar where pleasure poses under the garb of charity, one of the most unhealthy symptoms of the modern perversion of almsgiving? Why do we now need pressing appeals, sensational efforts and doubtful methods to encourage or stimulate us in this duty, while all the time we have God's own plan—the simple rule 'let everyone give as God hath prospered him.'"

"I greatly fear that our degeneration comes from the fact that our love has grown cold. The world is too much changed. We have changed, and are changing Christ's religion of self-denial into one of self-appropriation, and overlaying our religious life with a weight of worldly pursuits, attachments and pleasures, which engross our hearts and choke the Word. Our ears are filled with the noise and discords of life, and we are deaf to the delicate harmonies of heaven. Our eyes are fastened on the earth and we assume that the age of heavenly visions is past. Our aims, like the rest, are of the earth, earthly; and self-indulgence is the key-note of the age."

"Let us picture a visitor from some higher sphere, with other, larger eyes than ours, coming down among us to investigate our peculiar methods and idiosyncracies. It is Thanksgiving day—that beautiful annual recognition of God's favors to us during the past year, which we observe in the Old Country in the form of harvest festivals. Our puzzled visitor notices as the chief outward and visible function of the occasion, a vast immolation of turkeys, which the so-called thankful ones are eagerly appropriating. He concludes that it is doubtless a great national feast for the poor and needy ones who seldom taste such delicate fare. But, we say, no. This extravagant is for ourselves. True, we are sumptuously everyday, or so at least it seems to Lazarus sitting hungry at our gate. But this is our modern mode of expressing gratitude—truly a self-indulgent, not a self-denying ordinance."

"Again, Christmas is approaching, and our visitor sees the windows of our stores crowded with costly and useless articles, the majority of which have not even the excuse of being artistic to justify their existence. These, we explain, are for Christmas gifts—not to embellish bare and comfortable homes, but for Dives and his order, whose houses already overflow with superfluities. We are also breathlessly engaged in making provision for the flesh, in the form of rich and luxurious fare, thus

completing the bewilderment of our visitor, who strives vainly to connect these strange and somewhat gross customs with the delicate homage of the Eastern sages—the typical 'gold and frankincense and myrrh,' their tribute to the new born King who is at this time elected to visit us in great humility, that we might take His light yoke upon us and learn of Him the blessedness of self-sacrifice and voluntary poverty."

"Can we imagine anything more incongruous or less in harmony with the stupendous event than our mode of celebrating it? Not that the cheerful enjoyment of innocent pleasure is not reasonable, and even desirable, but that we have turned the good gifts of God which he so richly bestows on us into temptations to forget the giver, and we even resent as overstrained the suggestion that some systematic return of His gifts should be, not the exception in our lives, but the grateful rule."

Papers upon the work of the Y.W.C.A. (by Miss Carr) and the W.C.T.U. were followed with an address by Miss Perrin on the International Council of Women, to hold its next meeting in London in 1899, when one of the prominent topics for discussion will be international arbitration as a method of settling all disputes amongst nations.

Mrs. Conybeare Craven, in discussing "Women's Duties," dwelt upon the noble example set for the women of all lands by Britain's Queen—her truthfulness, devotion to duty, intellectual activity and religious training—her education that has made her a queen among queens, but none the less womanly—a living contradiction of the assertion that the higher education of women unites them for home duties.

The speaker regretted that in the training of children the general principles too often instilled to "get on"—thus making the little ones selfish. True education did not consist in cramming with facts, but in the development of the powers of brain and body, and as brains and bodies had been given to women as well as men, it was evident that women were ordained to make use of the powers of both to the fullness of their perfection.

The great utility of having women in certain branches of public life was emphasized, instances being quoted in which superior power for the accomplishment of good was shown to be possessed by women workers. As a note of warning Mrs. Craven made it plain that she could not advise the taking up of active public duties to women with no servants, or to the mothers of small children—the place for whom was rightly the home. There were, however, in Victoria, many ladies whose hands were not thus tied, who might wisely vary their round of pleasure by interesting their daughters and young lady friends in public questions and works. They might get up cooking and sewing classes in their houses if more public works were beyond them.

"I have visited the Jubilee hospital a good deal since I have been here," said Mrs. Craven, "and I have noticed that much might be done if only the hospital board was leavened with the presence and sympathetic methods of a few practical, motherly women. I am sure the nurses and matrons would welcome such an addition to the board of management. Women will confide things which need remedying to other women which they will not mention to men. But it is very necessary that the women should be on the board itself, not on a sub-committee. One gives authority, the other none. I have had a great deal to do with this kind of work in England, and I feel so strongly the absolute necessity of women being on the boards of management of every institution where women and children and sick persons are admitted, or where there are women nurses or attendants, that I always refuse to subscribe to any institution where there is no mixed board or committee of men and women."

"Water as an Essential to Health," was the subject discussed in a carefully prepared paper read by Mrs. Walker, who looked upon Victorians as a long-suffering people, to have thus long endured the defective and inadequate water supply while a remedy existed. She held that Victoria's water has few of the requisites essential to health, and pointed out how, in her opinion, the present condition of the water supply might be corrected.

During the afternoon several of the city clergy—Rev. W. Ralph Trotter, Rev. D. MacRae and Rt. Rev. Bishop Perrin, were introduced, and in response to invitation, delivered brief addresses, the Bishop in his remarks heartily endorsing the suggestion by Mrs. Craven that women should be included in the directorate of the Jubilee hospital.

Hon. Col. Baker also addressed the council, commending the work that has been accomplished by it, in uniting the women of all denominations in a harmonious and effective whole, and advising the council to go on in its mission—aiming constantly at reform rather than condemnation.

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The biscuits are made from the best material obtainable, such as oatmeal, flour, carrots, cabbage, beets and celery. Best of all commendation for the food is that miners have used it with the result that praise and expressions of satisfaction have been forthcoming. The biscuits can be eaten dry or broken and used in soup. A testimonial of their worth has just been forwarded to Victoria by Mr. C. J. Mullins.

To preserve quality of the biscuits the manufacturing firm in packing them in tin boxes for the market have them first wrapped in specially prepared vegetable paper so that non-contact with the metal will be assured.

Another feature of the Klondyke trade, which M. R. Smith & Co. are entering to is that of providing food for dogs. They are making a biscuit which will fill this long felt want and that it is considered highly excellent is suggested by the fact that the company are producing from 8 to 10 tons a day of the compound. An important custom for this trade, so far, has been that of the Northwest Mounted Police.

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THE "AORANGI" DEPARTS.

As Usual Carrying Much Freight for the Australian Colonies—The Passenger List.

It was later than expected when the R. M. S. Aorangi, which called here last night, left Vancouver for tropical and Southern Pacific points of call yesterday, the delay being due to the inability of her coal tenders to get her fuel across the gulf according to arrangement. The steamer did not carry a large company of passengers, but her cargo was such as to bring smiles to the faces of her agents. The load was varied as usual and a large portion was taken on here, 1,600 cases of salmon for the Australian market, 200 barrels of lime for Honolulu, and 60 tons of paper from the Oregon mills being included in that locally handled. Another interesting consignment was a Christmas tree being forwarded to Mrs. Bainbridge, Honolulu, by Mr. O. Hartnagle. The passengers here received were: F. Smith, from London and bound for Sydney; Miss Rose Ward, from Seattle for Honolulu; J. T. McMillen, the manager of the Tacoma and Roche Harbor Line Co., who in company with his wife is on a pleasure trip; James Walsh, from San Francisco and bound for Wellington; Mrs. W. E. Brown, who is going to Sydney; and Mrs. Bachelor and two sons, former residents of Cadboro Bay road, who are now going to Honolulu to there take up their residence.

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m.	45°		
6 a.m.	43°	Mean	44°
9 a.m.	42°	Highest	45°
1 p.m.	44°		
5 p.m.	44°	Lowest	41°
9 p.m.	44°		

Barometer 9 a.m. (Observed) 30.462
(Reduced) 30.371

ESQUIMALT STATION, Dec. 13, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m.	41°		
6 a.m.	43°	Mean	44°
9 a.m.	44°	Highest	47°
1 p.m.	47°		
5 p.m.	46°	Lowest	41°
9 p.m.	44°		

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FOR MONUMENTS, SEE T. Brodbery,
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FRIENDS of the Reformed Episcopal church, and of the young ladies thereof, are once again reminded of the luncheon to be given to-day at Philharmonic hall, in connection with the Christmas sale of work.

The Christmas number of The Traveler, San Francisco's prosperous illustration of the possibilities of typographical art, is an admirable example of literary excellence, fine printing and modern illustration. It is a monthly production as the Coast may be proud of, and reflects unbounded credit upon its producers.

The New Year's edition of the COLONIST will be one of the most effective advertisements which this city has ever had in the way of drawing attention to the unrivalled facilities of the place both as an outfitting point for Klondyke miners and also as a residential town. The photographs reproducing the principal streets in fac simile will of themselves impress outsiders with an idea of the importance of Victoria as a commercial centre, while the statistics will form incontrovertible proof of the immense volume of trade transacted here. Cuts of the leading hotels will show that the place is thoroughly capable of taking care of the strangers within its gates.

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The prophecy of old miners that the wilderness road from the Klondyke back to civilization will be marked this winter by dead men's bones, is now all too certain of fulfilment. For by the steamer City of Topeka, arriving Sunday morning from Lynn Canal, the news is received that more than a thousand ill-provisioned men stampeded from Dawson during late October, and impelled by the haunting fear of famine are madly forcing their way over the mountains.

Auk, the Indian mail carrier, who brings this news, left the Yukon capital some days after Jack Dalton's party, and says that the vanguard of the terror-stricken army is following less than a week behind him. He passed many on his way out, not a few of them men who had just reached the Klondyke after enduring innumerable hardships on the journey inward; and speaking from long experience of the country and its winter conditions, declares that a large percentage of the stampeding mob will never live to recite the terrors of their flight from death.

The Bella and the Weare, it now appears, did not land more than one hundred tons of provisions on their arrival in Dawson in early October, owing to their having been held up at Circle City, and what at first seemed salvation for the beleaguered residents proved but mockery of their misfortune.

The only bright view of the present situation is that the crossing of the passes above Dyea and Skagway has lately been greatly facilitated through the rapid advance of the tramway builders at the former point, and the great progress 108 men, under Superintendent Blackett of Minneapolis, have made with the wagon road from Skagway. The latter within a month will be an excellent route for sleds of all kinds. The Topeka brought sixty passengers, but only Auk, the Indian, came through.

PERSONAL.

E. A. Smith and wife, of Seattle, are at the Wilson.

Hon. S. Tollemache is over from the Mainland.

J. C. Thompson, of the Terminal City, is at the Hotel Victoria.

P. Schneider, manager for Schneider & Co., of Vancouver, is at the Wilson.

G. A. Strickland came over from the Sound by the City of Kingston yesterday.

Dr. C. F. Richards, wife and children, of Seattle, are enjoying the hospitalities of the Victoria.

J. McMillan and wife, of Roche Harbor, were among the guests at the Hotel Dallas yesterday.

Captain Jones, R. H. Spaulding and W. D. Haywood, of Vancouver, are at the Hotel Driand.

J. G. Thompson and wife, of Vancouver, are on their way to San Francisco, and are guests at the Victoria.

Among the recent arrivals at the Victoria are A. G. McQuinn, of New Westminster, and L. H. Bownie.

J. C. Wood and Chas. Wood, of the Dallas, Ore., are spending a few days in the city. They are registered at the Victoria.

James Slater, William Manson and Captain Ethershank, all of Vancouver and over to meet the incoming Empress, are guests at the Dallas.

J. H. Davison, a brother of Mayor Davison of Nanaimo, is at the Wilson. He is going on the Seattle to-day to select the route to Yukon for a party of six, including Mayor and Mrs. Davison.

Among the latest arrivals at the Queen's are: Chas. Moth, Seattle; C. Crossin, Hamilton, Ont.; S. Crampton, P. Wilson, F. Allison, Seattle; C. Rereback, Chicago, Ill.; and J. Page, Chelmsford.

Algernon S. Aspland, who upwards of a year ago left Victoria to utilize his fine tenor voice in operatic work, has returned home for a few months' holiday. During his absence from Victoria Mr. Aspland has been singing almost continually—first with Augustin Daly's famous company, and later with the Metropolitan Comic Opera Company.

It will not surprise Victorians who happened to be out late on Sunday evening to learn that the fall of rain was quite without precedent, upwards of two inches being recorded within nine hours.

MR. JUSTICE WALKER heard argument yesterday on the application on behalf of plaintiff in *Leacock v. West and Deakin* to continue the injunction granted by the Chief Justice on November 24, restraining defendants from disposing of the Jim Corbett mining claim on Gordon River. Affidavits were produced by Mr. Archer Martin on behalf of defendants, claiming that the Enreka claim, which located first on the ground afterwards covered by the Corbett, was not properly staked, while Mr. Schultz for plaintiff, put in affidavits on the other side. Mr. Justice Walker reserved his decision.

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The Purchaser of the "P. E. Ward" Wreck Secures a Tidy Bargain.

The long-absent Pelican is not the only large steamship familiar to North Pacific waters for which fears are daily becoming more pronounced. Nearer home it is now practically certain that some misfortune has befallen the well known Cleveland, lately chartered by the Kruse line to give opposition to the Pacific Coast company fleet operating between Puget Sound and San Francisco. She left the latter port about two weeks ago for Seattle, and strange to say, although she would follow the same course as the other California liners that have arrived since that date, none has either seen or heard from her. She has for some time been advertised to sail from Seattle for San Francisco on December 12, offering a first class passage at \$7.50, steerage \$3, and freight \$2. Her charterers and agents have now grown so uneasy concerning her that diligent search will no doubt be made all along the coast unless some definite news of the missing craft be received very soon.

A REPORTED WRECK.

A despatch from New York announces that the British bark Inverurie, from Sourabaya, Java, had arrived in port bringing tidings of the wreck of a British bark on Inaccessible island, one of the Trinidad Acunha group. On September 13 the Inverurie sighted the American ship J. B. Walker which signalled news of the wreck and asked for a supply of fresh water. A San Francisco paper says the wrecked bark may be the Taimount, now 222 days out from Liverpool for that port. There is also a possibility that the vessel may be the ship Natuna, 200 days out from London for San Francisco. As both these vessels are long overdue it is the belief that they had attempted to round Cape Horn, and failing, changed their course and came by the way of the Cape of Good Hope, a conclusion that would account for the presence of either or both of them in the South Seas. The same paper thinks the wrecked vessel may also be the British bark Craigend, which left Philadelphia May 3 for Higo. She was last spoken off the Brazilian coast. Reinsurance on the Taimount is no quoted at 50 guineas.

THE "WARD" WRECK SOLD.

The little schooner E. C. Ward, which was wrecked off the Sand Heads at the mouth of the Fraser on Monday last, has been sold by her owner to D. G. Mackay, of Steveston, for \$100. Immediately after the purchase Mr. Mackay made a thorough inspection of the little craft, and devised a scheme to float her. Erecting a couple of derricks, he unloaded the cargo of rock, dug away the sand, and lashed two empty barrels on either side. When the tide came in, the schooner floated off, and she was sailed into Steveston apparently none the worse for her inundation. To all appearances the schooner is comparatively new and well filled up, having six cabins. As Mr. Mackay is reported to have already refused \$500 for her, he is not likely to regret his investment.

THE "PUEBLA" IN A BLOW.

On her last down trip the City of Puebla experienced very stormy weather, in consequence of which she was nearly a day late in reaching San Francisco. Off Tatoosh, Captain Debnay reports that a heavy southeaster struck his vessel, and from there on it increased in fury until off the Columbia, where a hurricane was raging. The steamer's decks were swept time and again, but the only damage sustained was to the railing, a considerable portion of which was carried away, in addition to a barometer from the outside of the pilot house.

MARINE NOTES.

No bonds were given yesterday for the release of the British ship Senator, now lying in Esquimalt under seizure for salvage claimed by the C.P.N. Co. and the owners of the tug Sadie for services rendered the vessel while in a distressed position in the Roads on Friday.

Late Callao advices to the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, report that the British bark Allenby, from Liverpool to Victoria, had put into that port with the captain sick.

The four-masted bark Marian Fraser, bound for Tacoma and in from Santa Rosalia, dropped anchor in the Roads yesterday to await a tugboat to take her to her destination.

The C.P.N. Company's steamer Maude has made a flying trip to and from Nanaimo, arriving in with a full cargo of coal yesterday, after but 36 hours' absence.

The steamship St. Louis, of the American Atlantic line arrived at New York on Sunday—so says the C. P. K. bulletin.

After a two weeks' rest, the steamship City of Seattle, of the Northern Pacific line, goes North to-day with a full cargo.

The D. G. S. Quadra succeeded yesterday in making delivery of the winter supplies at Discovery Island lighthouses. The N. P. liner Tacoma sails for China and Japan on Saturday.

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Str. Charmer... from Vancouver.
" City of Kingston... Port Townsend.
" Roche Harbor... Roche Harbor.
" City of Topeka... Sitka.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer... for Vancouver.
" City of Kingston... Port Townsend.
" City of Topeka... Roche Harbor.
" Roche Harbor... Wrangell.
" Tees... Chemainus.
" Daisy... Westham Isd.
Sp Bonanza... "

HOK TAW, who was committed on the charge of forging the name of Yee Gee, will probably come up for speedy trial next Monday, that being the date to which the trial was postponed pending the arrival of Rev. J. R. Gardner from San Francisco. Mr. Gardner reached Victoria yesterday.

MESSRS. Watson & Hall, the Yates street grocers, have issued a very neat and serviceable wall pocket, as their Christmas souvenir for customers and friends.

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Tickets may be obtained from Messrs. Watson & Hall, Speed Bros., F. Carmo, P. J. Davies, Greenwood, Smith and Randolph, A. H. Maynard, F. Caselton, W. Wrigleyworth and members of the order. Two prizes will be awarded to Foresters' wives for the best cakes presented.

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FIRST PART.

Scottish Cantata....."The Maid of Lorn."
Chorus of 40 voices.

SECOND PART.

Miscellaneous programme.
Soloists, Miss Blucker, Miss Fraser, Miss Armstrong, Mrs. Gregson, Mr. G. F. Watson, Mr. Pilling, Rev. P. C. L. Harris, Mrs. L. Hall, Pianist, Mr. J. G. Brown, Conductor.

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To the Electors of the City of Victoria.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN!—At the request of a number of citizens I have the honor to announce that I shall be a candidate for reelection to the office of Mayor at the election to be held next January, and respectfully solicit your votes and support.

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We solicit a continuance of the support of the old customers of the firm, and assure them no effort will be waiting on our part to merit their favour.

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